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RE: Application Serial No.: 09/689,696

Applicants: Masako NUKAGA, et al.

Filing Date: October 13, 2000

For: METHOD OF CONTROLLING

INTERMODULATION DISTORTION OF NON-

RECIPROCAL DEVICE

Group Art Unit: 2817

Examiner: JONES, STEPHEN E

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.181 (A)(3) COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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TO INVOKE THE SUPERVISORY AUTHORITY OF THE COMMISSIONER

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SIR:

Applicant herein petitions the Commissioner to invoke his supervisory authority to require the examiner to consider the International Search Report cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed October 13, 2000.

An Information Disclosure Statement in conformity with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98 was filed with the application on October 13, 2000. Copies of the Information Disclosure Statement, the List of References Cited by Applicants (i.e., PTO-1449 Form), the International Search Report, and a date-stamped filing receipt are attached. Although the references cited by the International Search Report and listed at items AO-AR and AW of the PTO-1449 form were acknowledged, the International Search Report itself at item AX was struck through and therefore not acknowledged or made of record by the examiner.

Although Applicants do not believe that any fee is required for the present petition, any required fee should be charged the undersigned attorneys account no. 15-0030. As the above-identified application has already been allowed, an early response to this Petition is hereby respectfully requested.

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Serial No. NEW PATENT APPLICATION

In the matter of the Application of: MASAKO NUKAGA ET AL

METHOD OF CONTROLLING INTERMODULATION... For:

The following has been received in the U.S. Patent Office on the date stamped hereon:

- 31 pp. Specification & 39 Claims/ Drawings
- Sheets (Formal)
- Combined Declaration, Petition & Power of Attorney
- pages
- Recordation Form Cover Sheet/Executed Assignment (3 pgs.)
- Utility Patent Application

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- Information Disclosure Statement
- Cited References (7)
- International Search Report
- Statement of Relevancy
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- □ Issue Fee Transmittal

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

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Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

REFERENCES

- The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required. Also attached is an International Search Report and a Statem ent of Relevancy.
- ☐ A check is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

RELATED CASES

- Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. A copy of the patent(s) is attached along with PTO 1449.
- A check is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

CERTIFICATION

- Each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.
- No item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned, having made reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

PETITION

Applicant(s) hereby request consideration of the attached information. A check is attached in the amount of the Petition fee required under 37 CFR §1.17(i)(1).

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Please charge any additional fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.



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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER Int.Cl ⁶ C01G49/00, C04B35/26, H01F1/34, H01P1/32			
According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC			
B. FIELDS SEARCHED			
Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols) Int.Cl ⁶ C01G49/00, C04B35/26, H01F1/34, H01P1/32			
Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched			
Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)			
C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT			
Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where app	ropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
Р, Х	Masako Gakuta, et al., "YIG fe to isolator no IMD tokusei ton the Applied Magnetics Associat No. 4-2, (1998), p.673-676	o soukan", Journal of	1-17
х	JP, 3-288406, A (Murata Mfg. Co., Ltd.), 18 December, 1991 (18. 12. 91) & GB, 2243152, A		1–5
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Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C. See patent family annex.			
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